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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to submit testimony in favor of passing H.B. 5248 - An Act Concerning Collateral Consequences Of Criminal Convictions On Occupational Licensing. Passing this bill will help remove some barriers to employment, professional licensing, eligibility for public housing, child care and other public assistance programs for those with a criminal record. This will help them reintegrate into society and to provide the basic needs for them and their families.

I would also like to speak in favor of expanding the legislation to include eliminating barriers for those with criminal records for all types of employment and not just occupational licensing.

This will help with these individuals self respect and self esteem and help them to achieve even more successes and to better our society and the economy. This legislation will contribute to the common good for all of us, where all people are cared for and treated equally and with respect.

Please expand and pass this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

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